

Aurora County

Vacant/Andy Peterson



Fishing report:

Wilmarth Mitchell: Panfish Good.

Nelson Lake: No report.



Hunting report: No report.

Beadle County

Chris Kuntz



Fishing Report:

James River: No report.

Lake Byron: No report.

Cavour Lake: No report.



Hunting Report: No report.

Bon Homme County

Todd Crownover



Fishing Report:

Missouri River: Northern are biting and catfish has slowed down but a few can still be caught. Bass are biting on artificial lures. Occasional walleyes can be caught in deep water. Use caution as water levels are low.

Lake Henry: Crappie and bass are biting on artificial lures. Blue gill are biting on worms. **Remember bass must be 15 inches to keep.**



Hunting Report: No activity.

Brookings County

Jeff Grendler



Fishing Reports: Fishing activity is expected to increase with the warmer weather of spring. A steady rise in angler numbers and success has been seen this past week in the southern portions of Brookings County. All lakes are clear of ice and boat docks are in place.

East Hwy 81 ponds: A few walleye in the 14-17 inch range are being caught from shore. There hasn't been a consistent bite as of yet.

Brush Lake: A few walleye being caught off the road on the south end

Lake Poinsett: Quite a few northerns and a few walleye being caught. Wade fishing in the evening have been having decent success from shore. Jig and minnow seems to work the best

Goldsmith: Walleye fishing has been very good with quite a few fish caught both from shore and from boat. Walleyes are averaging 16 inches.

Campbell: Very little activity.

Sinai: A few walleyes being caught in the 13-14 inch range. Most fish are being caught in the southwest bay. Spinners and crawlers seem to be working the best. Fishing has been best in that 8-12 foot of water

East Oakwood: Very little activity.

West Oakwood: Very little activity.

Oak Lake: No activity. Oak lake experienced some winterkill this winter and netting results did not look favorable.

Hendricks: Crappie and whitebass are been caught along shore using crappie rig and minnows.

Crappies have been decent size. Whitebass have been all different sizes. Northern pike fishing has been really good with quite a few in that 4-5 lb range.

Big Sioux: A few catfish and an occasional walleye are being caught.



Hunting Report:

Clay County

Tony Stokely



Fishing Report:

Rivers: Producing catfish and a few walleyes. Navigation is tough with minimal output of water in Yankton.



Hunting Report:

Davison County

Andy Petersen



Fishing Report:

Remember Firesteel Creek is off limits to the taking of any baitfish.

Lake Mitchell: Walleye and Panfish have been good.

James River: Walleye and Northern Good.



Hunting Report: No report.

Hanson County

Andy Petersen/Matt Talbert



Fishing Report:

Lake Hanson: Northern on east end.

Ethan Dam: No report.

James River: Walleye and northern good.



Hunting Report: No report.

Hutchinson County

Brian Humphrey



Fishing: Fishing continues to be good on the James River. Catfish and Walleyes continue to be caught along the entire river in Hutchinson County. Bluegill and Bullheads are being caught at Menno Lake.



Hunting: No activity.

Jerauld County

Vacant/Chris Kuntz



Fishing Report: No report.



Hunting Report: No report.

Kingsbury County

Shane Van Bockern



Fishing Reports:

Lake Thompson: Fair to good. Anglers have been catching walleye, crappie, white bass, smallmouth bass and pike.

West 81: Fair-good for walleye.

Lake Whitewood: Slow

Lake Henry: Slow – fair. Walleye and small pike.

Lake Albert: Slow – fair. Walleye and pike

Spirit Lake: No report

Lake Preston: No activity



Hunting Report: No report.

Lake County

Cody Symens



Fishing Report: All bodies of water in Lake County are open.

Lake Madison: Occasional walleye bite from Johnson's Point, slow for the most part.

Lake Herman: Anglers are catching a few walleye, white bass, and northern pike. Walleyes range from 14-20", white bass ranging from 10-17", smaller sized northern pike.

Brant Lake: Northern pike bite has been good for the last week, nice sized bullhead on the west bridge.

Long Lake: No activity.

Lake George: Slow walleye bite but anglers picking up a few in the 15" range.

Lake Henry: Inconsistent walleye bite but rumors have it they are hitting again. Walleyes are ranging from 12-18".



Hunting Report: No activity.

Lincoln County

Nate Stukel



Fishing Report:

Big Sioux River: A few Catfish are being caught this week.

Hudson: More fishing activity this week. A few Trout and Sunfish are being caught by most shore anglers.

Lake Alvin: Bite is still slow at Lake Alvin this week. However, a few Crappie and Catfish are being caught.

Lake Lakota: Bullheads are being caught from the fishing dock this week.



Hunting Report: No activity.

McCook County

Matt Talbert



Fishing Report: Fishing has been slow across the county.

Lake Vermillion:

Island Lake:

Lehrman Slough:



Hunting Report: No report.

Miner County

Evan Meyer



Fishing Report: Fishing on Lake Carthage is slow.



Hunting Report: No activity.

Minnehaha County

Jeremy Rakowicz/Jared Hill/Jeremy Roe



Fishing Report:

Beaver Lake: Slow

Scott Slough: Slow

South Island Lake: Slow

North Island Lake: Slow. Remember Muskies must be over 40".

Loss Lake: A few good walleyes have been caught.

Lost Lake: Slow

Twin Lakes: Slow (REMEMBER: 28 inch minimum on Walleyes.)

Family Park: Slow.

Wall Lake: Slow

Clear Lake: Slow



Hunting Report:

Moody County

Chad Williams



Fishing Report:

Big Sioux River: Fishing activity has increased at the Flandreau Dam. Anglers are having success catching catfish, northern pike, and walleye. River level has come up with all of the rains over the last week, but has not slowed down the fishing. Large walleyes are often caught this time of year. Please remember that only one walleye over 20 inches is allowed in your daily limit.



Hunting Report: No activity observed.

Sanborn County

Evan Meyer



Fishing Report: Fishing activity has been slow on the James River. Some walleyes and catfish being caught.



Hunting Report: No activity.

Turner County

Brian Humphrey



Fishing Report: Catfish are being caught on the Vermillion River from Parker to Centerville.



Hunting: No activity observed.

Union County

Tony Stokely / Nate Stukel



Fishing Report: Missouri River is having some success with catfish but again, river is low. Rosenbaum Boat Ramp is out of use due to low water. Sioux River is tough to access for shore fishermen due to the high water.

McCook Lake: No report.



Hunting Report: No activity.

Yankton County

Sam Schelhaas



Fishing Report: There have been lots of boats out but not sure how they are doing.

Marindahl: No report.

Lewis and Clark: No report.

James River: No report.

Lake Yankton: No report.

Missouri River: Walleye have been good.



Hunting Report: No activity.

Region 3 updates.